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THE BISHOP'S PAGE

My Dear People:

I have just returned from Emmanuel College, Saskatoon, where I had a good visit with the six young men from our Diocese who are studying for Holy Orders. As the work of the Diocese develops, we shall need every one of them, and also those who are at other theological colleges.

We may indeed be proud that the call of the ministry is meeting such a good response from our young men. We may also be proud that one or two of them are seriously considering going to the Mission field. Edmonton is still officially a "missionary" diocese, but we must realize, as these young men do, that there are other fields, like the Arctic, for which we share responsibility with the whole Canadian Church.

Please remember these students in your
prayers.

I have not yet been called upon to hold a Confirmation Service, but by the time this issue appears, I shall have had that great experience. My first Confirmation, unless another comes up unexpectedly, will be at St. John's in Edmonton. After that the confirmations will come along frequently, as you will see from my itinerary, printed elsewhere.

Confirmation is the time when the Bishop is able to minister to the lives of all the people of his Diocese. In a real sense I have been called to be the pastor of all of you, and it is a good thing that there is one moment in your Christian development when the Bishop alone can act.

In the Bishop is found the fulness of ministry. He does not leave behind the other orders of the ministry when he becomes a bishop. He is still a deacon, which means "servant." No matter how exalted he may consider his position as Bishop, he will miss the meaning of his ministry completely if he forgets that he is always and forever a servant of his Lord and of the Church. The

Bishop is still a priest—a sacrificing minister to the sacrificial life of the Church, which is supremely expressed and also realized in the Service of Holy Communion, the memorial of our Lord's sacrifice on the Cross.

I write all this to you, because I want you ever to realize that the Bishop is not someone from outside, brought in for special events. He is of the family, and when he comes to perform episcopal acts, he is continuing and completing the family life of the Church, which goes on under your Rector from Sunday to Sunday. Indeed, when the Bishop is with you, Christ's Household is complete.

This is to be a great year for our Church on this continent. In August a great Anglican Congress will be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, to which delegates will come from all over the world. Our diocese will be represented by the Bishop and I hope by others.

Later in August the World Council of Churches will meet in Evanston, Illinois. This is always a momentous event, for to the World Council come Christian leaders, many of whom have suffered for the Faith.

As the Archbishop of Canterbury will be attending these meetings, our Primate has invited him to visit Western Canada, and he has agreed to come. Therefore it will be our privilege to welcome the Archbishop of Canterbury in Edmonton on Sunday, September 19th. Already we have begun plans for this most important occasion, and you will be hearing more as these plans develop.

May God bless you all in this season of Lent.

Howard Edmonton

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EDITORIAL

Christianity is full of genuine surprises. It is basically an astonishing religion. Why?—because it stretches a man's imagination as well as his reason and is always bringing him new things along with the old familiar things.

What a surprise that first Christmas Day was, for instance! The Son of God came—everybody was more or less expecting THAT—but the way in which He came was a surprise to almost everybody. Wasn't it an entirely new thing that a cave, instead of a palace, should be the dwelling place of the most glorious of Kings! Who could be a follower of THIS King? Only the quick-witted; only the imaginative; only the people who were able to re-adjust themselves to a radically NEW situation.

It would have been fatal in those days, to have been "set in one's ways." It is still fatal.

Holy Week and Easter Day give us the same challenge. Especially the Church is challenged wherever it is weighed down with unimaginative, unspiritual human beings. For the season holds

two opposing facts up to us and asks us to think of them together. Good Friday gives us death. Easter Day gives us Life. But, instead of being told that death is the last word about life, we are told that Life is the last word about death! Instead of being a defeat, to die in Christ Jesus is a victory. It is the only way to live!

What could be a more daring claim than this? Or really, what could be more surprising? Many Good Fridays and many Easter mornings have made us used to the Surprise so that we are no longer astonished. But the disciples were astonished. They had thought that death was the end of everything. Jesus was doomed! The Kingdom had been snuffed out before it had even begun! They had never imagined . . . !

Who could understand this victory in the midst of defeat? Only the imaginative; only the quick-witted; only the people who were able to take a "second thought," like those two people on the road to Emmaus.

Is it not, then, a fundamental quality of the Christian "temper" to be ready for things that are new in the world? To be adaptable; to experiment; to be explorers; to be zealous to seek Jesus in unfamiliar places? It is not the Christian way to seize upon new ideas to win the world for Christ when the old ideas have run their course? The world has changed rapidly in the last fifty years. Modern transportation has broken down old communities. Modern communication has established new ones. Today, man thinks in terms of "new" ideas which quietly exclude the Church. A growing culture is rising up which calls itself "Canadian" and tends to call the Anglican Church, "English."

If this is true, then we have a clear vision where our duty lies. The very "newness" of the world is Christ's call to us. It is a challenge which we should be joyful to take up. For it is the age-old, ever-new, call of Easter and of Christmas—to go out and meet Jesus Christ in New places and in New ways!

BROADCASTING

April 4th: All Saints'	CJCA
April 18th: Holy Trinity	CJCA
May 2nd: All Saints'	CJCA
May 9th: St. Faith's	CFRN
May 16th: Christ Church	CJCA
May 30th: Holy Trinity	CJCA

ANGLICAN SUNDAY SCHOOL OF THE AIR

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DIOCESAN NEWS



COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL SERVICE

Wanted:—A Radio. The Council would appreciate the gift of a radio, used, new, or otherwise, to place in the home of a Shut-in. The same could be left at the Synod Office, or it would be picked up by the secretary, Rev. L. M. Watts. Phone 75931 or 74132.

We still need supplies of used clothing.

THE BISHOP'S ITINERARY

April 4th—

St. Michael's, Edmonton.

St. David's, Edmonton - Confirmation.

April 6th—

Ponoka - Confirmation.

April 7th—

Holy Trinity, Edmonton - Confirmation of Adults.

April 8th—

Viking - Confirmation.

April 11th—

Kitscoty and Marwayne - Confirmation.

April 13th—

St. Stephen's, Edmonton - Confirmation

April 14th—

All Saints' Cathedral - Confirmation.

Good Friday, April 16th—

Three Hour Service, Holy Trinity, Edmonton.

Easter Day, April 18th—

All Saints' Cathedral.

St. James', Edmonton.

April 21st—

St. Mark's, Edmonton - Confirmation.

April 22nd—

Duffield - Confirmation.

April 23rd—

Tomahawk - Confirmation.

April 25th—

Foothills.

Edson - Confirmation.

April 26th to 28th—

W.A. Diocesan Annual Meetings.

April 29th to 30th—

Grande Centre - Confirmation, etc.

WE HELP TO MEET A GREAT NEED

M.S.C.C. sends \$15,000 to relief projects from its Emergency Disaster Fund

The plight of the refugees in Hong Kong, Korea and the Holy Land is beyond the comprehension of those who live in this favoured Dominion.

In Hong Kong a large part of its population of two and a half millions are Chinese who have fled from the Communists. Shacks of tin, bits of wood, canvas, in fact anything that will help to keep out the wind and rain, house multitudes of them. Hundreds of thousands of children orphaned and hungry depend entirely upon relief agencies.

To Bishop R. O. Hall of Hong Kong, Canadian Anglicans, through their Missionary Society's Emergency Disaster Fund, have sent \$5,000 to help feed and care for these destitute Chinese people.

Relief work in Korea, it is said, will

need to continue at the present rate for at least another two years, providing there is no further outbreak of war. Some 50,000 destitute widows and about 500,000 children are among those needing our assistance. Another \$5,000 from this Emergency Disaster Fund has been sent to Bishop Cooper in Korea to help bring relief to these needy people.

The Rt. Rev. Weston Stewart, Bishop in Jerusalem, has been sent \$5,000 from the same source to help with the almost overwhelming situation in the refugee camps in that country. Hundreds of thousands of Arabs are gathered in these camps without any hope of returning to their homes, and with little hope of being re-established in new homes with fresh means of livelihood. Among these are thousands of children who have known nothing but life on bare subsistence level in a refugee camp.

Come To Camp Kapasiwin

Now is the time to make plans "to go to Camp" for part of the summer holidays. Check the following dates, pick out your camping period, and mark it on your own calendar. C.N.R. trains leave Edmonton for Kapasiwin on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday, returning to the city on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week. With this train schedule in mind, the Camping periods will be as follows:

Junior Girls (9 - 12 years)	July 1 - 9
Junior and Senior Boys (9 - 16 years)	July 11 - 19
Senior Girls (13 - 16)	August 3 - 13
Junior Mixed (9 - 12)	July 20 - 28
A.Y.P.A. Weekend	July 30 - August 2

Due to increased operating costs, it has been necessary to increase the fees of each Camp. An explanation of "operating costs" will appear in the next issue of the Churchman. The new rates are as follows:

JUNIOR GIRLS, JUNIOR and SENIOR BOYS (8 day Camp)—

\$12.00 plus \$1.00 Registration Fee.

SENIOR GIRLS (10 day Camp)—

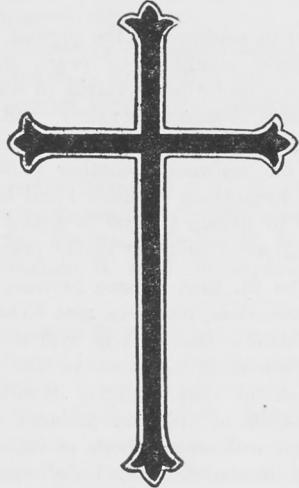
\$15.00 plus \$1.00 Registration Fee.

A.Y.P.A. WEEKEND—

\$5.00 plus \$1.00 Registration Fee.

Registration forms and other information about the Camp will be in each Parish by the end of April.

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A Holy Week Meditation

“Who hath believed our report? And to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed? For he shall grow up before him as the tender plant and as the root out of the dry ground; He hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him there is no beauty that we should desire him. He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and we hid, as it were, our faces from him; he was despised and we esteemed him not. Surely he hath born our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray, and we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; He is brought as the lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before his shearers is dumb, so he opened not his mouth. He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? For he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken. And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth. Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasures of the Lord shall prosper in his hand. He shall see of the travail of his soul and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death; and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Isaiah 53.

Schools: Pagan or Christian?

On the last Thursday in February the Rev Canon A. Harding Priest and the Rev. George C. Pidgeon (a former Moderator of the United Church) came to Edmonton for the purpose of holding a conference on religious education in the schools. To give a quick run-over of events as they occurred, this is what happened. A group of Anglican clergy about twenty strong met in All Saints' Parish Hall, plus one lone but valuable layman in the person of Mr. L. D. Byrne. Of this group, five were from the Diocese of Athabasca, headed by their Bishop, the Rt. Rev. R. J. Pierce, B.A., D.D. Similar groups belonging to the Lutheran, Presbyterian, and United Churches met at the same time. Then at one-thirty Dr. Pidgeon and Dr. Priest, Mr. White of the Presbyterian Church, Dr. Villette of the United Church, and Canon Teape were graciously received by the Minister of Education for the Province of Alberta, Mr. Aalborg. The two representatives from the East presented their case to the Minister, and voiced the hope that in the future they might be permitted to initiate in the local University some form of religious instruction for those training to be teachers. A little later on five representatives from each of the four co-operating churches together with the men from Athabasca met in the First Presbyterian Church and presented the findings of their previous meetings. The aims of all were roughly the same. When it came to the means required to achieve those aims, the Lutherans sounded a note of warning.

The purpose of this conference was twofold: (1) to take advantage of the Provincial Law as it governs religious instruction in the schools at the present time; and (2) teaching the teachers, or at least training them so that they may be better able to conduct these religious instruction periods. With regard to the first point, one province in the west reports "that Protestant denominations do NOT take advantage of the Acts' provisions", and another province reports that 90% of the Churches ignore the regulations in the School Act". These criticisms can never be directed at the Roman Catholics. Point No. 2, which sought to make provision for training students in the Department of Education in Bible Teaching, produced the one resolution in the Conference which is likely to issue in action.

At the morning session in all Saints' Hall some interesting propositions were put forward by the Anglican group. Mr. Macdonald and Mr. Byrne strove for "an educational system in which the pupil meets Christianity in the whole routine and tangible life of the pupil's Church". Quite obviously the authors of this resolution were not attempting to draw a Red Herring across the path of the discussion. But they were asking for a lot. Would it be shocking or not if they were hinting at Church of England Separate Schools? They also called for "co-operation with other communions to obtain every concession from educational authorities towards that goal". The outcome of the Conference called for a step in that direction, as will be seen later. Mr. Jones and Mr. Pitt wanted the Act changed so that the first hour of the day might be set aside for religious instruction rather than the last hour. This practice is the rule in parts of England. Mr. Byrne and Mr. Wolff were also dissatisfied with the Act, and rightly so, we think. They wanted the provision of religious instruction to be more positive instead of negative. In other words, the religious instruction should be taken for granted unless prohibited by the Divisional Board. Under the Act at present no religious instruction may take place until the consent of the Board has been obtained. Bishop Pierce and Mr. Harper went to the heart of the matter when they recommended to the Minister of Education and the Dean of Education of the University of Alberta that "provision will be made within the Faculty of Education to teach the students of the faculty how to conduct religious exercises, and how to give religious instruction according to an Agreed Syllabus."

Everyone is aware, or should be, of the great debate on Education that is going on at the present time. Is our Canadian system of education as good as it should be? Are we tied to the apron strings of the American educational system? What should we discard, and what should we retain, and where have we made our mistakes? It would seem to any Christian that one of the most glaring defects in the modern system of education as it is practiced in this country is just this diminishing interest in and diminishing attention paid to religious instruction in our schools. The

Archbishop of Canterbury says that Christian education is the understanding of the nature, the purpose and the acts of God. Canon Naylor of Montreal, on the other hand, in his excellent report to the G.B.R.E., says that Secularism is a very comfortable creed for the school. It is the assurance that the school can save civilization. There would seem to be a worldly suggestion here that one can conveniently forget about Christ and His Church, or at least, that it does not matter a great deal whether you do so or not. Which is it, Christ or the school, that is absolutely essential? Surely the right answer is that Christ is the true end of all things, and the school is the means whereby we gather knowledge of Him and of His universe.

Where and why do the teachers come into the picture? Because they are the ones who, in the majority of cases are going to have to do the instruction in religious matters in the schools. Even if all the denominations pooled their resources, there are simply not enough clergymen to go around. Most of our Anglican parishes in Edmonton include anywhere from two to half a dozen large schools with hundreds and hundreds of pupils awaiting religious instruction. It would require many more clergy than we have for the job, and they would have to devote their entire time to this one thing. Therefore the teachers—or some of them—must be trained to do it. In the Normal Schools of Ontario and Quebec all students take courses in Religious Education provided by clergy of their own communions. The work is appreciated both by the Departments of Education and by the prospective teachers. This year similar work is being done in Newfoundland. To answer our own question at the head of this paragraph, the teachers do not come into the picture at all. They are already there. In fact, they are the chief factor in the whole situation. To fail to bring them into contact with the great imperative of the Christian religion is to let our whole case go by default. How can they "hear without a preacher?" Because of this realization the Conference was constrained to take a "first step" in what they believed to be the right direction.

What was the FIRST STEP which this Conference initiated? Briefly this: that some person should be selected who would be acceptable to all the members of the Edmonton Branch of the World Council of Churches, and that this person

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Japanese Congregation Tackle Large Project

by Canon A. H. Davis
Field Secretary

Many Anglicans who support the work of the Missionary Society of the Canadian Church (M.S.C.C.) think that all the work among Orientals is done in the Orient.

It comes as quite a surprise to them to hear that in the City of Toronto we have, on the authority of none other than Bishop Yashiro of Japan, the second largest Japanese Anglican congregation outside Japan. The other group is in the City of Los Angeles. The Japanese congregation in Toronto meet for services in the Chapel of Holy Trinity Church (near Eaton's) which is now not nearly large enough for their needs. Last Christmas one hundred and thirty-five crowded to the altar rail for their Communions and some worshippers could not gain entrance. The Japanese East of the Rockies Committee of the M.S.C.C. felt the need of a resident priest to look after the ever-growing number of Japanese in Toronto and the help of Bishop Yashiro, Presiding Bishop of the Nippon Sei Ko Kai, was sought. Many priests in Japan needed the opportunity for post graduate study in our Theological Colleges and they also could benefit by a knowledge of our pastoral life. The Rev. Paul Ken Imai of Tokyo was chosen and, with his wife and two children, arrived in Canada in Feb. 1953, to spend three years with us. In addition to his pastoral charge Mr. Imai is pursuing academic studies at Trinity College.

The keeness of the Japanese Anglicans to have a resident pastor soon posed a problem for them. How can you have a resident pastor without a residence? Coats were off, brains were mustered, pocket books loosened and the Japanese Anglicans in Toronto and Hamilton contributed the sum of \$2,740. With a loan of \$2,000 from the M.S.C.C. they were able to purchase and furnish a residence for their pastor. In faith they have incurred a mortgage of \$7,500. We can indeed pay tribute to their fine spirit of determination and willingness to assist in the solidifying of the work among the Japanese whose foundations have been well and truly laid by the Rev. W. H. Gale; Miss Grace Tucker and others too numer-

ous to mention. The congregation themselves are tackling the provision of the rectory so their other pressing need—a church building—they cannot meet. Here is a church extension need which if someone could meet would earn the everlasting gratitude of a devoted group of Anglicans. They are grateful for the use of the chapel at Holy Trinity but they have outgrown its accommodation.

The Rev. P. K. Ima travels as far as Montreal to visit small groups of Japanese Anglicans and encourage them in the faith. Another bright spot in the life of this congregation has been the arrival of Mr. Nishimura from Chicago where he gained his Master's Degree in English. Mr. Nishimura is studying theology at Trinity College, Toronto, and is giving valuable assistance in youth work.

CHRIST, THE MIRROR OF GOD

"This, beloved, is the way in which we found our salvation, Jesus Christ, the High Priest who offers our gifts, the patron and helper in our weakness.

It is through Him that we see mirrored God's faultless and transcendent countenance. Through Him the eyes of our heart were opened. Through Him our unintelligent and darkened mind shoots up into light. Through Him the Master was pleased to let us taste the knowledge that never fades.

Let us, then brethren, do a soldier's duty in downright earnest under the banner of his glorious commands. Let us observe those who are soldiering under our commanders and see how punctually, how willingly, how submissively they execute the commands! Not all are prefects or centurions or lieutenants and so on. But each in his own rank executes the orders of the emperor and commanders. Each of us then brethren, must in his own place endeavour to please God with a good conscience, reverently taking care not to deviate from the established rules of service."

St. CLEMENT
(To the Corinthians)

What an amazing group the Holy Trinity Japanese W.A. must be! Their membership of forty-three paid up members places them among the above average in point of size. Their good works during the year included sizable contributions to the work in Japan—helping to support among other things the Sanatorium at Obuse, the Kindergarten Teachers' Training School at Nagoya, in addition to their regular contributions to the W.A. United Thankoffering Fund and the W.A. Pledges Fund.

They closed the year by giving the grand sum of \$500 towards reducing the mortgage on their rectory. With such a devoted and energetic group of women behind the Japanese congregation in Toronto, there can be little doubt that the work of Christ's Church will be well and truly carried on and that the light of Christ's Gospel will shine forth in lives burning brightly with His love. One can only hope that out of this number will come young Japanese people who will offer themselves for training as missionaries wherever God will call them. Freely have they received, may they freely give.

CHRIST THE FIRST-FRUIT OF THEM THAT SLEEP

"Great, then, is the mercy of God the Father: He sent the creative Word, who, when He came to save us, put Himself in our position, and in the same situation in which we lost life. And He loosened the prison-bonds, and His light appeared and dispelled the darkness in the prison, and He sanctified our birth and abolished death, loosing those same bonds by which we were held. And He showed forth the resurrection, becoming Himself the first-born from the dead, and raised in Himself, prostrate man, being lifted up to the heights of heaven, at the right hand of the glory of the Father. And this was, in truth, accomplished by our Lord Jesus Christ, in the triumph of our redemption, that He raised us in truth, setting us free to the Father."

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Mrs. H. H. Clark of the See House, Mrs. D. Mills, St. John's, Mrs. T. Teape, St. Peter's, Mrs. W. A. Flesher, St. Peter's Mrs. J. M. Verge, St. Paul's.

Educational Department

"Forward in Faith", the Book of Prayer, published by the M.S.C.C. for 1954, will be on sale at the Annual Meeting at a cost of 20 cents.

This book should be used at W.A. Meetings, but in addition members should have a copy for their daily use.

EDMONTON DIOCESAN G.A.

ANNUAL FESTIVAL CONFERENCE AND CONCERT

1954

ALL SAINTS' CATHEDRAL

PROGRAMME

Thursday, April 22—

2:00 p.m.—Registration

2:30 p.m.—Opening Service

Missionary Quiz

Skits

Supper

Evening Entertainment

Friday, April 23—

10:00 a.m.—Festival

12:00 noon—Lunch

1:30 p.m.—Festival

8:00 p.m.—Concert

Admission

Adults - 50c — Students - 25c

RULES

1. Entry fee for each group will be fifty cents.
2. All girls will wear uniforms.
3. 1953 affiliation fees will be paid.
4. Each girl entering the Festival must have earned a badge since the 1953 Festival, if she has been a member for more than six months.
5. Leaders are asked to fill in the entry form and send it together with the entry fee not later than April 10th, to Mrs. J. A. L. Smith, 11126 - 77th Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta.

JUDGING

Entries for sections II and III will be brought to All Saints' Parish Hall on

Thursday Afternoon. Sections I and V will be judged on Thursday afternoon. The remaining sections will be judged on Friday.

CHALLENGE CUPS

To qualify for these cups, groups must enter four out of the five following sections:— II, III, IV, V, VI.

If any of the out of town girls require hospitality for Thursday evening, please let me know so it may be arranged.

Section I — Missionary Quiz

Based on the Study Book "This Canada". All members of the group will participate.

Section II — Handicrafts

(Enter all three)

- (a) Set of two accessories.
- (b) Madeover articles of clothing for children.
- (c) Picture.

Section III — Cooking

Box lunch suitable for a party.

Section IV — Singing

(Enter both)

- (a) G.A. Camp Song.
- (b) Choral Speech.

Section V — Folk or Square Dancing

Section VI — Drama

Original skit or pantomime, not more than ten minutes.

Section VII — Reading

An Easter passage from the Bible, selected at the Festival.

Section VIII — G.A. Fashion Girl

Two girls from each group will model their G.A. uniforms.

Dominion Competitions

- (a) Story (Individual contest.)
- (b) Film Preview (Individual contest.)
- (c) Play (Group contest.)

Information concerning the Dominion Competitions is found in the Septmeber '53 Living Message. They must be entered by May 1st.

DIRECTIONS

I. Each group will be given the same set of questions. They will be given a certain length of time in which to complete the answers.

II. (a) The accessories may be made from any kind of material and may be knitted, crocheted, sewn etc.

(b) The madeover is made from old clothing. Suggested articles—skirt, blouse, jacket, trousers etc.

(c) The picture may be made from any material, e.g. shell work, copper work, felt work, embroidered, sketched etc.

III. The lunch should be sufficient for two. It should contain:—1. Sandwiches. 2. Jellied fruit salad. 3. Tarts. 4. Appetizer, e.g. pickles, celery etc. The box should be attractively decorated.

IV. The camp song is a parody and should be between 12-16 lines including the chorus.

V. The choral speech should be a poem by a Canadian author. It should be between 12-16 lines.

VI. Ten per cent will be given for costumes. Originality of the dance will be taken into consideration.

VII. This is an individual competition. Select your best reader.

VIII. The correct G.A. uniform is—navy skirt, white tailored blouse, preferably long-sleeved, navy beret, green and gold tie with gold on top. G.A. pin worn on the tie, and the badges worn on a ribbon suspended from the left side of the blouse.

MEMORIAL WINDOW

Plans have been made to instal a Memorial Window in All Saints' Cathedral in memory of the late Bishop Henry Allen Gray, (first Bishop of the Edmonton Diocese) and of his wife, the late Georgina Gray.

In 1895 Rev. H. A. Gray came to Holy Trinity Church as its Curate; he was raised to the Priesthood in 1896 and made Incumbent of the Parish. In March of 1897 he was appointed Rector of All Saints' Church and held that position until 1914. He was made an Archdeacon in 1907. Rev. H. A. Gray received his education in Winnipeg, taking theology at St. John's College. He graduated from the University of Manitoba in 1895 with a B.A. and in 1898 he received his M.A. In later years several honorary degrees were bestowed upon him.

On November 11th, 1913 the Diocese of Calgary was divided and the Diocese

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W.A.—

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of Edmonton created and on March 25th, 1914 Rev. Henry Allen Gray was consecrated Bishop of Edmonton. His Episcopal ring was presented to him by the branches of the Women's Auxiliary of the Diocese.

In the summer of 1914 Georgina Wibby, a graduate of Deaconess House, now known as The Anglican Women's Training College, came from Toronto as the first Deaconess of All Saints' Church. In 1917 she became the wife of Bishop Gray.

Mrs. Gray was President of the Edmonton Diocesan Board of the W.A. in 1923 and under her guidance our Social Service work was started; also the Post-work was begun and eventually became the nucleus of the General Board of Religious Education in this Diocese. Mrs. Gray was instrumental in influencing an Anonymous Donor in England to finance St. Catherine's as a home for girls from out-of-town.

Mrs. Gray organized St. Monica's W.A. working directly under the jurisdiction of the Bishop.

A few months after Bishop Gray's consecration, the First Great War brought many new problems to this City and in the decade following the war Bishop Gray provided sound spiritual leadership and also played a large part in civic and community affairs.

Bishop Gray organized the first Boy Scout Troop in the City. He formed several groups for boys, two of which were known as Bishops Gray's Boys and the Boys' Brigade. These were formed before there was a Y.M.C.A. here.

Bishop Gray was for many years judge of the Juvenile Court and through his love and understanding many boys were inspired to lead a better life. The value of his follow up work with these boys will be well remembered by many old timers. He was the proud possessor of Newsboys' Badge No. 1 which he wore at all times on the lapel of his coat.

After 36 years as a pioneer Rector and Bishop in this scattered Diocese, failing health caused him to resign in 1931. He died in England in 1939 and Mrs. Gray passed away in Toronto in 1952.

With the approval of the Very Rev. J. Grant Sparling, Dean of All Saints' Cathedral, this fund for a Memorial

Window in the Cathedral has been started to keep green the memory of these two outstanding humble souls who, day by day, interpreted the Christian way of living.

Anyone interested in participating in this Memorial is requested to send their donations to Mrs. R. E. McLaughlin, Box 4416, South Edmonton. W.A. Branches are asked to send their contributions to the Diocesan Treasurer, Mrs. C. H. Harris. An official receipt will be issued from All Saints' Cathedral.

ATTENTION! W.A. BRANCHES!

The appeal for donations for this Memorial Window to Bishop and Mrs. Gray was endorsed at the Board Meeting at Christ Church on Friday, Feb. 26th. It is hoped that every W.A. branch in the diocese will make a suitable donation. Even though the more recently organized branches may not know the "Grays" personally, still it is a duty and privilege to honour the first bishop and his wife.

SCHOOLS:

PAGAN OR CHRISTIAN?

(Continued from Page 7)

should be presented to the authorities of the University of Alberta as a fit person to instruct students training in the Department of Education, in Bible teaching. We cannot expect that all embryo teachers will be either Anglicans, or even Christians. What we do claim to be within the realm of possibility is to have a "pool" or a nucleus of teachers in most schools who are Christians and who have received instruction which will make them competent to teach the Bible and to conduct the religious period. This would seem to be a step in the right direction, even if it is a very small one. It is foolish to ask too much from the Government, to demand concessions to which it is opposed, and which have not a ghost of a chance of being considered. But this should not deter us from striving for a Christian educational system which provides a curriculum based on a Christian philosophy of life, which was the original contention of Mr. Macdonald and Mr. Byrne. Let them have the last word since it is a good one.

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The Missionary Prayer Corner

Let us give thanks

—for the new dispensaries that have been equipped to facilitate Dr. Jackson's clinical work among the villagers of Kangra (formerly four of Dr. Jackson's clinic centres were roadside clinics in temporary quarters—now the grateful patients have provided suitable quarters for permanent dispensaries.)

Let us pray

—for God's blessing on the work being done in Pakistan among the Muslims, especially on the Christian Reading Rooms in the cities of Pakistan.

—for Dr. Jackson and her work of healing and teaching, especially in the new clinic centres which are strongholds of Hinduism.

—that the young people of our Church may respond to the urgent need for workers in our Indian Residential Schools.

—that the need for a Christian hostel for Indian young people wishing to attend high school may be met.

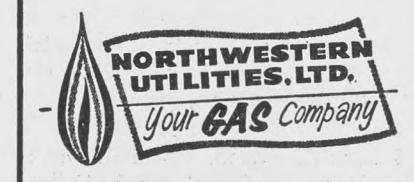
—that God will bless our workers among the Japanese Canadians especially Miss Bailey in Slocan City, B.C. (Miss Bailey asks for our prayers to overcome the great indifference to God and matters of the Spirit which confronts her there—the children come gladly to her Kindergarten and Sunday School but the parents are indifferent.)

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Pleas from the Pews

Q.—What is the significance of the two candles on the altar?

Ans.—Candles, or rather lamps on stands, were first used on Christian altars for the purpose of giving light. In both the Old and New Testaments, however, there are numerous references to the symbolic use of candlesticks, and the early Christians soon saw in the two lights on the altar a symbol of Jesus, the Light of the world. (St. John 8:12)

Q.—Why does a bishop usually carry a staff?

Ans.—The 'staff' is more correctly known as the crook—and from the earliest days of the Church it has been the custom of the Bishop to carry a shepherd's crook to signify that he is the spiritual shepherd of his people.

Q.—In some churches, a cross is carried before the choir and clergy as they enter and leave the church. Why is this?

Ans.—The processional entry of the choir is a relic of the times when processions were distinct and significant acts of worship. Processions are mentioned in the Bible (the encircling of Jericho, bringing of the Ark into Jerusalem by David, the Palm Sunday procession, and so on). In the Christian Church the earliest processions were for the singing of Litanies. Thus the practice of carrying a cross in procession is but part of the custom of the church from its earliest days. The words of our hymn come quickly to mind:—

"Onward Christian soldiers,
Marching on to war
With the Cross of Jesus
Going on before."

Q.—Which are the Synoptic Gospels, and why are they so called?

Ans.—The first three Gospels—St. Matthew, St. Mark and St. Luke—are called the Synoptic Gospels, because they give a synopsis, or "view" of Jesus' life on earth. In this they are distinguished from the fourth Gospel, (St. John), which has a theological purpose.

Q.—What is a "Harmony of the Gospels"?

Ans.—It is a scheme by which parallel passages in the Gospel are placed side by side to show their relationship. Such a harmony can be very useful in studying these Gospels, since it quickly shows us what each of the Gospel writers has to say about a particular verse or chapter.

Children's Corner

Dear Boys and Girls:

First I must thank you for sending in your answers to the quiz about the number of birds and animals in the Bible. Next month I will let you know who had the longest list.

It will soon be Easter Day. I expect you have noticed that Easter varies from year to year. For some long time there have been people who have been trying to persuade those in authority to fix the date of Easter, and they have suggested that the second Sunday in April should always be Easter day, but so far it has not been done. Do you know how we arrive at the date of Easter each year? Easter Day is always the first Sunday after the full moon after the 21st of March up to the 24th of April.

One of the very old customs connected with this season is the Easter Egg. You see the chocolate eggs and most of us on Easter morning have eggs for breakfast. The curious thing about an egg is that it's all sealed up. There's no hole in it, and no door in it through which the chick can get out, and that's just the way the tomb was in which they laid the body of Jesus. It was a cave in the rock, and the Roman soldiers sealed it up with a big heavy stone. When the women, who were friends of Jesus, went to visit the tomb, that First Easter morning, they wanted to put sweet smelling spices around His body; on the way there they were worried. They wondered who would roll away the very heavy stone from the door of the grave.

But when they got there they found the stone was rolled away, and Jesus had come out of the tomb alive.

Now, when a hen lays her eggs in a nest and makes them into a setting, as

Q.—From what language was the New Testament translated into English?

Ans.—Our modern Bibles all have the New Testament translated from the original language—Greek. Great strides have been made in the study of the ancient manuscripts since the Authorized Version was produced in 1611 (the King James Version), which are reflected in such modern translations as Moffatt and the New Revised Standard Version recently published.

we call it, she covers them with her warm body, and although each little chick she expects is sealed up in a hard egg-shell, she doesn't worry at all. She knows that in time God will bring live chicks out of tomb-like shells.

So, we use eggs and sometimes dye them, and make them look nice, because Jesus has taught us that even a grave can be a beautiful resting place until it is time for God to call everybody to life and the joy of His love. The Egg at Easter reminds us that Jesus came alive from the closed tomb, and showed Himself to the disciples. You can read about this in your Bible.

But I think the Easter egg teaches us another great truth too, and that is not to worry about what's going to happen tomorrow, or next week, or next year. If we try to do everything we ought today, there is no need to worry about the future. If we have done everything we can do, God will take care of the things we can't do. "All things are possible with God." It's like going to school. If you have prepared your lessons and done your homework the night before, and do what you are supposed to do, then there won't be any need to worry about the teacher asking you questions.

This is why I believe we use the pretty coloured eggs at Easter. We call them symbols, and a symbol is something that reminds us of something else; the symbol of the Easter egg reminds us of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And as we are made happy with the Easter eggs, so also we are happy that Easter Day is the greatest of all Christian feasts.

Sing the joy of Easter day, the Easter triumph tell, Jesus rose on Easter Day, the Lord who loves us well.

A very happy Easter to you all,

Uncle Geoff.

KALENDAR

April:—

- 4—Passion Sunday
- 11—Palm Sunday
- 15—Maundy Thursday
- 16—Good Friday
- 17—Holy Saturday
- 18—Easter Day
- 25—First Sunday after Easter
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Rev. David E. Jones

With the Building Fund Campaign scheduled to take place before Easter, Mr. Howard Strong of the Wells organizations has taken over the direction of the preparatory work. Many laymen are involved but at the time of writing the committee chairman have not been named. The financial objective is \$100,000.00.

On Scout Sunday, our Scouts and Cubs attended Evensong, and representatives of the organizations read the lessons. Cubmaster E. Peckover and Scoutmaster J. Cooper were in charge. Then on Wednesday night, the annual Scout Father and Son Banquet was held in the hall, with the Cub Mothers doing the catering.

Our Sunday School teachers had supper at the rectory with Dr. A. H. Priest of the G.B.R.E., and a helpful discussion took place. Dr. Priest spoke on the role of the teacher and on teaching methods. On the following Sunday, Dr. Priest preached at Matins in the Cathedral.

The teachers of the Senior Sunday School are taking a training course on the New Testament. The Dean is lecturing each week, and two of the meetings have taken place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Byron.

During Brotherhood Week the speaker at the supper meeting of the Men's Fellowship was the Reverend E. J. White, who is a member of the executive of the local chapter of the Council of Christians and Jews.

The Noon-day Lenten services have been well attended. On Wednesday night the Dean is giving a series of illustrated addresses on various phases of the missionary work of the Church.

The Dean took the opening prayers at the annual conference of the Alberta Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society recently held in the Macdonald Hotel.

The Cathedral Construction Committee lost a valued member in the passing of Mr. Harry Hole. Mr. Hole was one of the old-timers.

ST. BARNABAS MISSION

There is plenty of activity at St. Barnabas as the voluntary labor parties continue to paint, paper, and play host to the many activities in the community. These parties meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday.

Mrs. C. Hutchinson has formed a Sunday School Choir and much progress has been made for Easter hymns and some special arrangements. Practises for this group are held Sunday, 10 a.m., in the Mission.

A Shamrock Tea was held on March 17, and we enjoyed meeting those from St. Paul's and other parishes.

The "Musical Group" under the direction of Mrs. Tetzloff, are practising towards a musical program. Male voices are

needed and we welcome anyone in the community who is a singer and interested.

Several of our Sunday School boys and girls are taking part in the Variety Concert, "40 Years On," commemorating the 40th anniversary of the founding of St. Paul's Parish. This play will take place Friday, April 30th, 8 p.m., in Grovenor School. Adults 50 cents and children 15 cents.

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ST. MARK'S

Rev. G. W. Wilson
Rev. A. Heron

Our Scout and Cub banquet was held in the Parish Hall on Friday, 12th March. A good crowd, including Mr. T. L. Robinson, District Commissioner; District Scoutmaster Weir and District Cubmaster Gahan were in attendance at this outstanding event.

Our newly organized Girls' Auxiliary attended church in a group on March 14th and were presented with enrolment cards, promotional certificates and proficiency badges by the Rector.

Easter Services: 16th April—Good Friday—11 a.m. Family Service; 18th April—Easter Sunday—8.30 a.m. Communion; 11.00 a.m. Sung Communion; 7.30 p.m. Evensong.

CHRIST CHURCH

Rev. Canon E. S. Ottley
Rev. R. A. Burdon

With the approach of spring and the Easter season, the life of the Parish has been active indeed.

There are a special series of sermons on Sunday mornings, guests from the other parishes in the diocese each Sunday evening and our Wednesday evening series in the church, on ways in which God speaks to us today.

On February 21st, it was heartening to see so many young Cubs, Scouts, and Brownies in attendance, when we held our annual Baden-Powell Memorial Service. Not only the little tots learned from the Rector's talk on "Clocks."

The official opening of the Parish Hall will be held on Easter Monday, April 19th. It will start with a church supper at seven o'clock, followed by an address by the Bishop. We will have an opportunity to become acquainted with our new accommodation, and the evening will close with a program with talent supplied by the Men's Club.

At the evening service on Palm Sunday, April 11th, our distinguished guest will be Rev. Dr. Spencer H. Elliott, of St. John's College, Winnipeg. The Men's Club are sponsoring the evening, and they invite the congregation into the Parish Hall for a social hour and light refreshments following the service.

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At the recent annual meeting of the Men's Club, the new slate of officers was chosen: Honorary President, Rev. Canon Ottley; Honorary Secretary-Treasurer, F. C. Hooper; President, F. U. Brown; Vice-President, J. M. Tweddle; Secretary-Treasurer, F. G. Stewart, and executive members T. R. Francis and H. C. Cooper.

On March 18th they held a work bee to wax and polish the floors and knotty pine walls in the parish hall.

The choir at present is enjoying the practising of Easter music. They will present the Bach Cantata, "Christ Lay In Death's Dark Prison," for the Good Friday evening service along with the regular Easter music. The members like to include extra activities, such as monthly socials after practice, and other get-togethers along with their work. They have established a high, hearty, note of fellowship within their ranks and are eager to extend it in a cordial invitation for others to join. You know, you do not have to be an expert singer, all that is required is a will to serve and an inclination to sing. We would especially like to see a few more basses and sopranos. If you are interested please come to practice on Thursday nights at eight o'clock, and we will make you welcome.

The Board Meeting was held at Christ Church, after which there was a reception in honour of our new Bishop's wife, Mrs. Clark.

At present we are embarking on a visiting campaign among our parishioners, with the purpose of becoming acquainted with those we do not know, and fostering a greater bond of unity with those we know already.

The A.Y.P.A., under the direction of Murray Decker, is in the last stage of rehearsals for the play, "The Goof From Gopher Gulch." This hilarious comedy will be presented about April 23rd, with Bob Olson playing the lead.

The first meeting in March of the Couples' Club took the form of a film night. Shown were pictures of a flaming oil well, the Great Barrier Reef of Australia, and "The Loon's Necklace," of National Film Board fame.

ST. MARY'S

Rev. Canon W. Elkin

St. Mary's Parish observance of Lent got away to a good start when we had as our guest preacher at morning service the first Sunday in Lent our own Bishop, Rt. Rev. H. H. Clark, who gave a very inspiring address and it was a pleasure to have the Bishop with us again. At evening service that day we had the Rev. Roger Burdon as our speaker. The following Sunday morning we were fortunate in having the Bishop of Ontario, the Rt. Rev. K. C. Evans, as our guest speaker. Bishop Evans took the service at the Lenten noon-time services at the Cathedral that week and we enjoyed his able, interesting sermon. The Wednesday evening Lenten services at the church were again a feature of the Lenten season at St. Mary's, although the attendance at some of these services was rather slim.

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We also welcomed to the parish as visitors the Rev. G. W. Wilson of St. Mark's Church, and the Rev. Canon E. S. Ottley, Christ Church.

Sexagesima Sunday at Evensong saw the 40th St. Mary's Scout and Cub Troops and the 39th Cromdale Scout and Cub Troops on their annual church parade, at St. Mary's, the colors of the 40th being dedicated at that service, the church was filled to capacity. The rector spoke on the subject of Work. March 10th, in the Highlands Community Hall, the annual Father and Son Banquet of the Scouts and Cubs was held, with some 200 there. Commissioner Don Milne gave a talk and a movie of the Calgary-Edmonton football game was shown, with Claude Arnold as commentator.

A joint effort is being made by the Afternoon and Evening Groups of the W.A. in the sponsoring of a food clinic, March 22nd, in the parish hall, with all proceeds going to the church building fund. Door prizes consisting of food hampers given and tea served.

One of the highlights of the Junior Auxiliary year came February 25th with the annual Mother and Daughter banquet held in the church basement. Duties of chairman were ably carried out by the Junior President, Sharon King. Guests at the head table included Canon W. T. Elkin, Mrs. Tackaberry, Mrs. Wilson, Diocesan J.A. Secretary, Mrs. K. A. King. Mrs. Bide, presidents of the W.A. groups. Votes of thanks given by Sheila Oakes, Wendy Brown, Barbara Arnold, secretary, read a letter from the Bishop. Leaders of the group, Mrs. Elkin, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. White were presented with three beautiful roses on behalf of the Juniors. A film program brought the evening to a close. Social thanks go to members of the Evening group of the W.A. who prepared and served the delicious dinner. Juniors are now working on their study book; will shortly be preparing for the Annual Easter Tea, to be held Wednesday of Easter week in the new church basement.

Work bees are still being held to complete the new basement for use and on converting the old building into meeting place, and there is lots of need for willing workers from the ranks of the men to complete this job.

Wedding: Lillian Janet (Trott) Robar to William Boyko.

Baptisms: Joanne Denise Toane, Lorne Eric Campbell, Wm. John Boyko, John Roger Boyko, Patricia Lynn Nash, Lawna Rae Johnstone.

ST. STEPHEN'S

Rev. Canon C. E. F. Wolff

We are now well into the season of Lent and up to the present have spent a fruitful and enjoyable time. On the first Sunday in Lent our Bishop paid his first official visit to the parish. Following the service a social hour was held in the parish hall, when the parishioners were able to meet Bishop and Mrs. Clark, both of whom endeared themselves to all present.

On the second Sunday in Lent the Rt. Rev. Kenneth Evans, Bishop of Ontario, was the preacher at Evensong. This virile preacher and thinker won the hearts of all at the service and during the social hour that followed. Both our Bishop and Bishop Evans have made a very much appreciated contribution to our Lenten discipline.

The attendances at all our services, Sunday and weekday, is getting better and better all the time. We should, however, like to see a few more present at the daily Mass so that the parish priest will have adequate assistance at the offering of the Holy Sacrifice.

During the past few weeks the Altar Guild members have completed the work involved in providing a new carpet for the Sanctuary by adding newly upholstered kneelers at the Altar rail. We do thank them very much for this addition which enables us to kneel uprightly.

At a congregational meeting held on Sunday, March 7th, after the morning service, authority was given to sell the present rectory and purchase a more modern house. Since that time the rectory has been sold and the Rector hopes to be settled in the new house by the time these notes appear. By that time, too, we hope to be able to tell you of plans now being made by the Vestry for the restoration of the hall.

The W.A. held a most successful tea on February 20th. A feature of the tea was a pie-making contest held among the men. Eight entered and the prize—a most suitable article of wearing apparel—

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was won by Mr. M. T. Hirst. The others were consoled by the fact that all their pies were sold and all the buyers were in church the following morning!

Holy Week and Easter: By the time these notes appear we shall be preparing to keep Holy Week and Easter. A service leaflet will be issued in due course. Hence we shall just set forth a few of the services:

Maundy Thursday:

7 a.m.: Holy Communion.
10 a.m.: Holy Communion and the Maundy Thursday Rite.
8 p.m.: Vespers and Compline of Maundy Thursday.

Good Friday:

10 a.m.: The Good Friday Liturgy.
12 noon: The Three Hours Devotion.
8 p.m.: A Religious Film, "Which Will Ye Have?"

Holy Saturday:

7 a.m.: Altar Prayers.
8 p.m.: The Easter Even Liturgy.

Easter Day:

7 and 8 a.m.: Holy Communion.
11.00 a.m.: Solemn Eucharist.
7.30 p.m.: Solemn Evensong.

ST. PAUL'S

Last farewells to our Rector, Reverend George D. Kelly, his wife Pat and children were extended at a coffee party and presentation in the parish hall on Sunday, February 28th. Dave Wood recorded the service and farewell which is a treasure, and has already been played many times. We miss the Kellys very much, and realize what a great joy it was to have such a wonderful priest with us for the past 6½ years.

Our Parish is very grateful to Lt.-Col. the Rev. R. Wilkes for taking the services and looking after other duties in the Parish during the interim period between rectors.

The season of Lent is being marked by our people in their attendance, both at Sunday and at the noon-day services in the Cathedral. Let's not forget to use our Chapel for private prayers during Lent—a season which is set aside by the Church for special prayers to be said and special things to be done. We will be privileged to have our Bishop preach to us at Easter Evensong.

The Men's Club held a Ladies' Night and entertained with a film and supper to bid farewell to their past past President, Mr. Bill Kent, and his wife, Dorothy. A mantel clock was presented and regrets were extended from other church organizations to a faithful adherent and supporter of the Parish.

Many have asked who took the picture of the church, which was presented by Ron Davison, President of A.Y.P.A., to the Kellys? We understand it was Peter Clough.

The Altar Guild have made much progress, and the Sacristy has been moved into the newly completed cupboards. Many thanks to Mr. Hall for a wonderful job on those cupboards. New kneelers will be in the church next Sunday and

more in the making. The mice will surely miss the felt for their nests.

The Beginner Sunday School are asking for a voluntary helper to assist with nursery children on the first Sunday of each month. Nursery toys would be appreciated.

Our Cub Pack is growing in number and we now have 46. Another assistant is needed and please phone Mrs. S. Williams. Scouts have organized under the leadership of Mr. R. Clark.

The Programme Committee are presenting a Spring Concert, "40 Years On," commemorating the 40th anniversary of the founding of St. Paul's Parish. The place is Grevenor School, between 143rd and 144th Streets, on Friday, April 30th, at 8 p.m. Tickets are now on sale and are obtainable from any of the Young People's organizations. Adults 50 cents and children 15 cents. Keep this date in mind and plan to attend. Committee chairman, Jack Benbow, 10229 148th St., phone 83359.

Our sympathy and prayers go out to the families of the late Mrs. M. F. Lane who passed away suddenly on March 3rd. The service was conducted by Reverend R. O. Wilkes from the church in which Mrs. Lane served so very faithfully.

With deep regret we learned of the death of a charming lady in spite of her 86 years, Mrs. Cycelia Kay, who passed away on March 6th. Interment was at Westlawn, on March 9th. Our sympathy from the Parish is extended to her family. "They asked life of Thee and Thou gavest it them, even length of days for ever and ever."

ST. FAITH'S

Rev. L. M. Watts

What would you do if one Sunday morning when you looked at your thermometer it registered 60 degrees below zero? The Rev. J. A. Pitt, of Fort Vermilion, told us in his sermon on February 28th of one of his parishioners, an old lady of over 80 years, who walked her usual half mile to attend service on the coldest day last winter—62 degrees below zero.

Besides the Rev. Mr. Pitt we have had as guest speakers at Evensong, March 7th and 14th respectively, the Rev. G. W. Wilson and the Rev. R. A. Burdon, both of whom gave us much to think about in their sermons.

Mid-week Lenten Services are being very well attended this year and a special study is being made of the Epistle to the Ephesians, which is giving everyone a better understanding of this book.

There is a group of enthusiastic, hard working men in our parish who are giving up many evenings and their Sunday afternoons to perfect plans of which we are all going to hear in the not too distant future. The groups' official title is the "Church Building Committee," and the wives of said men can tell you that there is much talk of building materials, of the merits of brick versus concrete, stresses and trusses, etc., etc. Heresy has it that our new church may be under construction within the year. All that we know is: that

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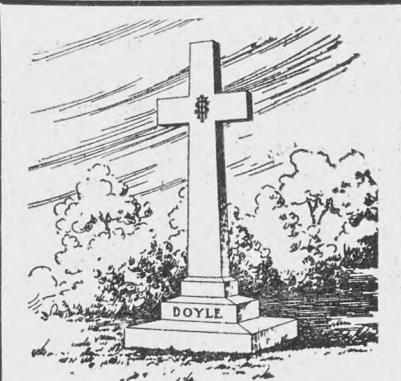
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To inaugurate the beginning of Scout Week, February 21st, the St. Faith's Scouts and Cubs attended Church Parade. There were 105 boys of assorted sizes in the pews that evening, and their behavior was a credit to their leaders. February 26th saw a Father and Son Banquet in the hall and a very enjoyable evening was spent before a campfire. An afternoon service was held on Sunday, Feb. 28th in the church for the district Guides and Brownies to bring to an end the special events of that organization's special week.

One of the rare moments of pure enjoyment took place the evening of Feb. 23rd, when the C.N.R.A. Glee Club, under the sponsorship of the choir, sang for an appreciative audience in the parish hall. We are all anticipating next year, when we hope that the choir will again bring the Glee Club to our parish. (How broad can a hint get!)

The Men's Club held their annual meeting and election of officers away back February 15th. The new slate of officers are: President, H. J. Bristow; First Vice-president, D. R. W. Mason; Second Vice-president, E. D. Darch, and Secretary-Treasurer, F. G. Mason.

Baptisms: Maxine Margaret Hoffman, Kenneth Arthur Hoffman, Judy Dianne Hoffman, Dennis Gerald Hoffman, Peter Blake den Hartog; Judith May Harper.

Burials: Thomas Churchill; William John Edwards.

ST. PETER'S

Canon T. W. Teape

Men at Work—Speaking of a new church reminds us that the old one is not so bad after all, especially since it has had its face lifted. A goodly crew of men turn out every Tuesday and Friday night and nearly all day Saturday. What we owe to John Williams and the trusty band of men working with him can never be put into words or print. Perhaps they are doing it because they are part of the family of St. Peter's Church and are proud of it. Well, we can at least say that we are proud of them.

Pot-Pourri—or what-have-you—First of all, **Cubs and Scouts**—A fine parade of these two organizations turned out on February 21st at Evensong, together with their parents, making a congregation of 165. Eric Johnson and Paul Ream are doing a fine piece of work with the boys. The Vestry meets every now and then to count the cash and to see that Dick Clegg has not gone to California on the proceeds. There is one thing certain, he will never get to California on what is left over after he has paid the bills. What colour to paint the new pews? The Rector wants them to be a light colour and Mr. A. J. Brown says he needs his head seen to (this, of course, is not for publication). We think the Rector will win because Mr. Want is on his side, and Mr. Want is a very determined man. The new pews were much to the fore and the kind people

who have offered to pay for them. We think we have all ten of them accounted for, thanks to the generosity of a number of our members. The altar rail has been considerably lengthened, and it has been paid for by one of our families. A brass plate is to be attached, indicating that it is in memory of a loved one. **Lenten Services**—A part of the family turns out to these, but not as many as we would like. **Group Committee**—This has been galvanized into life by its new chairman, Doug. Cameron. At the present time it is out looking for five tents, a good camping site for our Troop to use this summer, and all sorts of people to pass the boys their tests. **Visit of Dean Noel**—St. Peter's were fortunate to have Dean Noel as their visiting preacher at Evensong on March 7th. Many could not help but notice that one of the Dominical signs of the coming of the Kingdom was in evidence, namely, "The deaf shall hear." The Dean endeared himself to the congregation of St. Peter's in a very special way.

Directions To Sidesman—See that the hymns are on the board; if the church is freezing cold, have a look at the furnace; if the church is 110 in the shade, have a look at the furnace; cheerfully attempt to steer people away from the back pews; take up the collection with alacrity at the beginning of the hymn after the sermon; be on hand twenty-five minutes before the service starts; if you don't come early, how do you know what has happened in the meantime? **Directions to Members of the Congregation**—Those who sit in the front pews are very near (and dear) to the Rector's heart—of course, he loves those in the back pews, but it requires such a stretch of the affections or the imagination to reach them at that distance; don't stake a claim on the corner seat next to the aisle, thus compelling all late comers to trample on your Sunday shoes and almost to sit in your lap. Someone has suggested that we go back to the

days of Queen Victoria, and (when we get our new pews) charge the occupants of the three or four back pews in the church. It is not a bad idea. Would five dollars a Sunday be too much?

HOLY TRINITY

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Canon W. M. Nainby

Our Wednesday Lenten Services have been well attended so far, and we have also been pleased with the additional numbers on Thursday mornings. Nowadays, with so many attending the daily Noon-Day Lenten Services at the Cathedral, it seems to make for a busy Lent for us all. However, we are sure that all who keep Lent in this way will enter more fully into the joy of Easter Day, and the message of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus.

The Confirmation Classes are also meeting regularly, and arrangements have been made for the Confirmation Services. The Adult Class will be confirmed on Wednesday evening, April 7th, at 8 p.m., and the Junior Confirmation will be held on Sunday morning after Ascension Day, May 30th.

There was much social activity preceding Lent, and most organizations were busy with their projects. The Garneau and Strathearn Groups combined in a Whist and Bridge that was well attended. We were most grateful to Mr. Eric Boon for his help in making this event an outstanding success. The Business Girls held a Military Whist which proved most enjoyable, and they also held their annual Pancake Supper. The last supper meeting was held at the home of Blanche Aston.

The W.A. will be catering to the March meeting of the St. George's Society.

Both the Parish Guild and Mothers' Union will hold their corporate Communion on the Festival of the Annunciation, March 25th. The Parish Guild is to



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hold a Membership Tea on March 29th at the home of Mrs. Reynolds.

The Men's Club is enjoying its Games' Nights of shuffleboard, darts, ping-pong, etc. Arrangements are being made for a St. George's Dinner for the congregation on April 23rd, and a programme committee has been appointed.

The Choir is preparing the sacred cantata, "The Crucifixion," for the evening of Good Friday.

The A.Y.P.A. is meeting on Thursday evening for games as well as on Sundays after Evensong. We are glad of the help of Bill and Lola Qualtrough. A Sunday Supper for the Young People is being planned for the near future. Rees Wynne-Dyke was kind enough to secure coloured films of South Africa for one of our meetings.

The youth groups are busy with their programmes, and some are preparing for concerts or festival work. We are glad to welcome back Mrs. Everett for our Monday Brownie Pack. We are also happy to welcome Mrs. Perkins and Mrs. Shields to Juniors Auxiliary work.

The Sanctuary Guild will hold their annual Tea on Wednesday, March 31st, in the Parish Hall.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Rev. A. P. Venables

On Sunday, February 28th, a social hour was held in the parish hall after Evensong, when we said bon voyage to our vicar, the Rev. Arthur Venables who has left for a year's work in England. A wallet and money was presented to Mr. Venables, with the good wishes of the parishioners.

A bouquet of spring flowers was presented to Mrs. H. Rayment of Holy Trinity Parish, who has been his Edmonton "mother" since he came to the city. Members of the Vestry served a delightful lunch at the close of the evening.

Rev. G. W. Wilson and Rev. A. Heron will be in charge of services for the next few weeks, until the Bishop can arrange for a permanent charge.

An Advance Notice—The Evening Branch W.A. will hold a Spring Tea and sale of fancy aprons in the Parish Hall, April 21st.

The Sunday School is progressing very well, new pupils every Sunday.

The card party sponsored by the Sunday School Teachers, on February 15th, was a great success, the proceeds were given to the Vestry. The evening was greatly enjoyed by all, and we think plans should be taking shape for another one as soon as the Lenten season is over.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Rev. Wm. Sewell

Due to our Rector's illness, we had the happy privilege of having an impromptu visit by Bishop Clark for Mattins on March 14th. The Lord Bishop of Edmonton will return to St. John's for Confirmation on the evening of March 28th. This will be the Bishop's first confirmation since his consecration. A reception will be

held in the Parish Hall following the Service.

To our service on the evening of March 14th we welcomed the officers and members of the Edmonton Chapter of the Order of DeMolay. The Rev. Canon W. T. Elkin kindly took the service in the absence of our Rector.

Our Rector has been laid low these past two weeks with (according to his diagnosis) "church door Flu." We are happy to learn that he is making a steady recovery and hope that he will be back ministering to us again in the very near future.

The Lenten preacher for the week of March 28th to April 2nd, the Rev. T. J. Finlay, of St. John's Church, Ottawa, will be the guest preacher at St. John's at Mattins, on March 28th. Rev. Finlay and Rev. Sewell have a close association in that Rev. Finlay is a former rector of Mr. Sewell's.

The Men's Club have had several work parties and have completed the new floor in the balcony in the preparation for the new pews. Apart from this note of practicality, for the lovers of the artistic, they are busy rehearsing for a new version of their "Minstrel Show." This will be put on in the Parish Hall the last week in April and there is a real treat in store for us again this year. Be sure to watch the Church Bulletin for a definite date, it's a show you can't afford to miss!

The Afternoon Branch of the W.A. held their Devotional Meeting on February 16th at the home of Mrs. E. Burrows. Following the meeting a tea was held to celebrate Mrs. E. Barker's 86th birthday. The warm wishes of the congregation of St. John's went out to Mrs. Barker on this happy occasion. The Afternoon Branch of the W.A. will join forces with the Evening Branch on Tuesday, March 23rd, at 8.15 p.m., to hear Mrs. Florence Finlay, a missionary on furlough from Africa.

The Easter Services will be as follows:

Good Friday: Three-hour Meditation—(12.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.)

Easter Sunday: 8.00 a.m.—Celebration of the Holy Communion.

9.00 a.m.—Celebration of the Holy Communion.

11.00 a.m.—Celebration of the Holy Communion.

From Septuagesima Sunday, through Lenten and Holy Week, we prepare ourselves for this celebration—for Easter—with its remembrance of our Lord's victorious resurrection from the grave and the message of its meaning for us.

ST. MICHAEL'S

On Sunday, March 7th, after Divine Service, members of the congregation of St. Michael's gathered in the Parish Hall for an act of prayer and thanksgiving for the last time. The hall is being moved to a permanent home on the Old Hermitage property, where it will stand near the cairn which commemorates the ministry of Edmonton's first resident missionary, Canon Newton.

St. Michael's has received notice of acceptance of its tender to purchase a

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large well built structure from the Crown Assets Disposal Corporation, which will be moved to the church property and adapted for parish hall purposes. Until the new hall is available, Sunday School classes and meetings of groups will be held in the church—Sunday School at 10 a.m.

A very successful St. Patrick's tea was held at the home of Mrs. Preston. Members of the teaching staff of both St. Michael's and the Grierson Estate schools poured tea and served, and many parents and friends attended. Congratulations to the team of canvassers headed by Mr. Nick Sklar, with Messrs. Johnson, Damery, Runka, Young, Kerr, Noble and Green. They did a thorough job happily, and quickly and met with a fine response. Everyone is greatly cheered by the cooperation received everywhere.

Our best thanks go to Messrs. Noble, Mitchell, Young, Runka and Johnson who officiated at morning prayer on March 14th in the absence of the rector.

ST. SAVIOUR'S MISSION

EMMANUEL, GIBBONS

Rev. R. A. Sayer

We are sorry to learn that the Rector has been forced to resign as the Cubmaster of our local pack. At a recent meeting at the home of "Tim" Gibbons, a committee was formed to make a study of the Cubbing movement and program, with the prime purposes of having the Pack duly and properly registered, and to see what can be done about finding a cubmaster (or mistress) in the village. To date the committee has had little success, so that the Rector of necessity is still looking after the Pack so that the work will not fall behind.

Our thanks to the ladies and gentlemen who recently spent a day varnishing and putting in place the books, racks and kneelers for our new pews.

At the February celebration of the Holy Communion Ivan Dawson made his first appearance as a server to assist the priest and to represent the people, especially at the time of the Offertory.

Burial: February 22nd, Robert Tucker, R.I.P.

HOLY TRINITY, BON ACCORD

Rev. R. A. Sayer

The children of this Parish, who have always been most faithful in their attendance at church, are coming into their own at long last. In addition to the Catechism lessons which they receive before the sermon, many of them have now been enrolled in the League of Loyalty, whose methods we trust will be an incentive to regular worship. By the time this news is published the members will have received their membership badges.

Recently a Vestry meeting was held at the home of John Bland. We had gathered together to discuss our financial situation in the Parish, particularly as it relates to our Assessments for this year and to our plans for installing gas heating this year. The meeting concluded that it was time for us to have an all-out Every-Member-

Canvass immediately. It was expected that the Canvass would serve several purposes. We hope by it to revise our parochial list, to find out just who are the Anglicans in the Parish, and finally to see if those who remain on the list are willing to support the Church. The Vestry members decided to divide the Parish into "roads," each "road" to be visited by a member of the Vestry, accompanied by the Rector. It was thought that the Canvass could be carried out in two days.

ST. MARY'S, RED WATER

Rev. R. A. Sayer

While a number of our men were in Edmonton attending the annual Laymen's Dinner, the members of the W.A. not to be outdone met at the home of Mrs. Myers. The guest speaker for the evening was Fr. Sayer who had been invited earlier to address our next meeting. He offered to come on the date set, all of us having forgotten that it was the night of the dinner. His subject might be given the title "Christ in the Kitchen." The meeting was generally agreed that the talk was both inspirational and instructive. Following his address, Fr. Sayer answered some of our questions about the Women's Auxiliary, and told us to whom we ought to write for further information about various aspects of our work.

Rural Deanery of Pembina

ST. STEPHEN'S, ALCOMDALE

Rev. K. Minchin

St. Stephen's W.A., Westlock Parish—Ever forward. We held our monthly meeting for February and sent two delegates to the Board Meeting at Christ Church; Mrs. Meahin and Mrs. Hamilton. It was a very inspiring meeting and I think if more of us could go we would learn more about our W.A. Work.

On Shrove Tuesday we had our pancake supper as planned and it was a big success for the first one, all members turned out with willing hands and hearts, and we wish to thank some of the women of our Community League for their help as well.

Regular services are held, with the Rev. Minchin in the pulpit. We will be working on our church soon again.

ST. LUKE'S, MAYERTHORPE

Rev. L. S. Thurston

Tuesday, March 2nd, Mayerthorpe, at 5 p.m., the "male-order cooks" donned cap and apron and beat and battered up a delicious pancake supper in St. Luke's hall. Mix-masters to the rescue!—They "manned" by two brave females. Many thanks to all who helped, no foolin'!

St. Luke's W.A. have kindly purchased 10 new hymn books for the church.

Representatives from Rochfort Bridge and Greencourt churches saw films shown by Rev. Thurston, on Sunday evening, February 28th. Lunch served by W.A.

Peavine—February 19th the following members from St. Luke's met with the Peavine congregation to discuss the busi-

We wish to take this opportunity to thank the parishes of Bon Accord and Gibbons, who so kindly changed their hours of service on the first Sunday in March in order that we might have a celebration of the Holy Communion at 11 o'clock. The Senior Class of our Sunday School recently finished a series of lessons based on the Lord's Supper, and in order to complete the course they were to attend a celebration. Hence the change of hours.

Before beginning the service the Rector explained and set up the vessels, and then proceeded to put on the vestments, explaining the historical and symbolical significance of each vestment. Jimmy Kelly and Merle Harley served, and throughout the service the Rector explained the various parts of the service. At the time of the Communion all the children came to the rail with their parents for a blessing. We trust that some day soon we may be able to have such a service again.

During Lent, we are having a celebration of the Holy Communion every Wednesday morning at 9.30 a.m. and at 4.00 p.m. the Junior Confirmation Class meets at the church for instruction. At present there are 10 members in the class.

Holy Baptism: Bonnie Jean Cormack, J. E. Edmondson, Laura Edmondson.

ness of the church. During the evening a Vestry was formed and films shown, followed by lunch. Mr. and Mrs. B. Gaskell opened their home to this occasion. We hope to do more of this sort of thing in the near future and thus get to know our Anglicans in Sangudo, Rochfort, Peavine, Lonira, Greencourt, Whitecourt, and Blue Ridge.

From the Padstow church building the Altar has been moved to Rochfort Community Church Building, and the organ has followed the Padstow hall (now St. Luke's Hall) to Mayerthorpe, where it will be fixed and cared for until such time as Padstow church may again have enough families resident to open its doors for worship.

We look forward to the second visit of Bishop Clarke for Confirmation Service in May.

ST. FAITH'S MISSION

Rev. H. W. Buchner

Rev. J. G. Gardiner

Rev. G. A. Robinson, OBL, S.S.J.E.

We are sorry there was no news of St. Faith's Mission in the last issue, but as there seemed to be no special news, we decided against just using space.

Activity in our area has been shifting from west to east. Aside from Foothills and Mercoal, the Coal Branch camps seem to be gradually closing down, though one is never quite sure until a camp does actually shut down. Bryan (Robb 32), shut down at the moment, will probably re-open with the building of the pulp and

paper plant at Edson. With the increasing inactivity in the Coal Branch, many railwaymen living in Edson have been forced to transfer to other points. From Edson east, of course, the subject of the day is "oil," and the country in the Drayton Valley area, five years ago so far away from the bustle and turmoil of the world, is humming with activity.

So far, we have been able to get to all services very easily, but one begins to wonder how soon some of our roads will begin to degenerate to a mud-pie condition. Hattonford roads last week caused this thought to pass through our mind. However, all is nice and solid once more.

The clergy are "rejoicing" in a new Austin—we miss the Dodge (it missed us several times in the past) but it had to go. Now, once again, we hope to be a bit more certain of reaching our landing fields.

We are all looking forward to Bishop Clark's visit on Low Sunday, and expect that he will be at Tomahawk, Drayton Valley, Edson, Foothills and Rosevear over that weekend.

Baptisms: At Easyford, Barry Donald Oscar, Ian Eldon Oscar.

Marriages: At All Saints', Drayton Valley, Eunice Wall to Austin Lebirk.

ST. CATHERINE'S, EDSON

This has been rather a quiet month as becomes the Lenten Season. On Wednesdays Fr. Robinson is conducting the services—for the adults at 7.30 p.m., and for the children at 4 p.m.

The afternoon group of the W.A. are holding weekly sewing meetings in preparation for the Spring Sale May 1st. Their social activity was a very pleasant evening of whist and cribbage on Shrove Tuesday.

The evening group, with Mrs. Ranger convening, catered at the rink for the Ladies' Bonspiel, concluding with a banquet at the Parish Hall.

Those of our parishioners who have been disturbed at their devotions by ominous creakings and threatened collapse will be glad to know that the vestrymen are making new kneelers for the church. Their next undertaking, when the frost is out of the ground, is the replacement of the floor of the hall kitchen.

The ladies hope that their plans will include an addition to the structure, but space and time will not permit me to list the equipment the ladies would like to have in their new kitchen. This is to be the Senior W.A. project for the year. The fair sex is not the only one to be beguiled by the warm weather into a flurry of spring cleaning and renovation. The clergy house is already under-going a transformation. The vicar and Rev. Robinson have repainted their "cells" completely. Perhaps the word "cells" is a misnomer in view of the gay color schemes employed.

There is only one burial to report this month, that of Mr. Don Glover who was one of St. Catherine's earliest members. There are still a few parishioners who remember his singing in the choir, but to most of us he was not well known because of the infirmity which kept him confined

to his house for so many years. Throughout these later years Mr. York was his constant friend and nurse. We extend our sympathy to his daughters in England.

Burials: Mr. Don Glover.

ST. MARY AND ST. GEORGE JASPER

Rev. Donald F. Moore

The Parish organizations continue to be active through a pleasantly mild winter. The Parish Guild has been holding frequent Bake Sales, and the E.B.W.A. organized a successful telephone bridge. The Guild is busy in preparation for the Easter Bazaar to be held Easter Saturday.

Many of the women of the Parish attended the Women's World Day of Prayer Service, March 5th. A children's prayer service was held Ash Wednesday afternoon.

An excellent demonstration by the Cubs and Scouts in Spero's Hall gave the opportunity for the community to know the fine contribution these groups are making to the life of many boys.

The Vicar reported on the Bishop's address to the laymen at the Laymen's Dinner held in Edmonton, and called on the Parish for prayer and loyal support of our new chief pastor.

The congregation was pleased to welcome the Rev. A. P. Venables, formerly of St. James' Church and the Church of the Good Shepherd, Edmonton, now leaving on a year's leave of absence in England, who celebrated at the Holy Table and preached at Evensong.

The prayers of the parish are asked for the sick and troubled and for those in training for Holy Orders, especially Ramsey Heckley of this parish.

Baptism: Robert Douglas Crawley.

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ST. SAVIOUR'S, VERMILION

Christ Church, King Edward,

All Saints', Pleasant Valley

Rev. Douglas A. Ford

The news from St. Saviour's and the adjoining parishes reaches "The Edmonton Churchman" by a rather devious route this month, since it comes via Winfield. It just so happens that the Rector is conducting a Mission at the neighbouring town of Breton and is writing the Vermilion news from the Vicar's residence.

There are always happenings in the Parish, but so often the news is old before it reaches "The Edmonton Churchman." Take for instance the "steak dinner" enjoyed by the Men's Club on March 1st. Thanks to Chef Dennis Hanlan and his cohorts the members of the club sat down to a rare gastronomic treat in the sirloin steaks that were served. We are sure it will take all the abstinence of Lent to enable us to recover our normal girth.

On Shrove Tuesday, ten men of the Parish journeyed to Edmonton to attend the Laymen's Dinner and to hear the address by our Bishop. All agreed that it was a most worthwhile trip.

Once more the sport of badminton has come into its own in our Parish Hall. Members of the Choir and other interested persons are gathering twice a month for a good session with the "birds" and enjoying the fellowship and the exercise.

Lent has descended upon us very firmly with a note of austerity evident in the decreased tobacco consumption, suspension of whist drives and so forth. As last year, the local clergy are exchanging for the Wednesday evenings in Lent. This was much appreciated last year and is a means of cementing the bond of fellowship amongst the parishes of the area.

The Women's World Day of Prayer was held in St. Saviour's this year with Mrs. E. H. Buckingham in charge. There was an excellent turn-out to the service and the

occasion therefore was observed in a most satisfactory way.

Owing to the Rector's absences in Edgerton and Winfield, the parishioners were pleased to welcome the Rev. R. A. Burdon on February 21st, and the Ven. S. F. Tackaberry on March 14th. The kind services of these two clergy were much appreciated and enjoyed.

Confirmation classes in the Parish have now begun, with three groups meeting

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CHRIST CHURCH, MANNVILLE

Rev. A. Alcock

Regular church services have been held with below average attendance. It is hoped that it will improve as the weather gets warmer.

The congregational meeting was held recently with not too many in attendance. The minutes of the last meeting and financial report were read, as were reports of all the organizations. The W.A.'s had a very successful year, as did the Sunday School and J.A. The latter are going to donate a stained glass window which will improve the look of the church. Our thanks go to these girls. Well done. After the reports were read and approved new business got under way which was a discussion on becoming self-supporting. Self-Support seemed to meet the general approval of those present but nothing definite could be decided until the outside points had been contacted. It was decided to bring water and gas into the vicarage ready for the equipment when funds permitted. Mr. Alcock had made a screen for the Sunday School, for which Mrs. Whitson, the superintendent, thanked him. Mrs. Whitson said it made it so much easier for the teachers. The election of officers for 1954 resulted as follows: Vicar's Warden, Jas. Johnstone; People's Warden, C. W. Hamilton; Rec. Secretary, R. A. Lugg; Treasurer, Miss K. Sutton; Vestry Members—Jas. McLuckie, Ralph Leitch, W. Osborne, Mrs. Rutherford, Mrs. Whitson, Mrs. R. A. Lugg, Ab. Hubbard, Don Upton, D. F. Otto, and M. Mercer; Honorary Members—E. D. Wright and H. Arnold. A meeting is planned for the near future at which representatives from the outside points will be asked to attend to decide whether this mission can become self-supporting. A ladder is to be made for use in the church.

Our grateful thanks go to Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton for the donation of a beautiful red curtain placed at the back of the altar. It puts an added charm to the appearance of the church.

The Happy Hour W. A. held its annual meeting at the home of Mrs. Reg. Lugg. The annual minutes were read and financial statement given. Discussion re the taking over the official work of the W.A. with Christ Church W.A. being an afternoon group, helping in every way possible. Mrs. Rutherford was again present, pointing out many of the duties expected of the official group. She was able to answer many questions regarding the W.A. As the Happy Hour Group is comparatively new to the W.A. world, it was finally agreed that they would be the official W.A. with Christ Church W.A. acting in an advisory capacity. A sale of cooking was planned and executed for March 13th, which was very successful.

A shower sponsored by the Happy Hour W.A. was held in the Parish Hall for Miss Lynn Croft, bride-elect of the month.

Miss Croft received many useful and beautiful gifts. A happy married life was wished for Lynn.

The Scouts meet every Friday; G.A. meets every Wednesday.

Confirmation classes are held each week in the vicarage. There are six candidates.

Christ Church W.A. held its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. R. Hughes. Due to the extremely icy and dangerous condition of the roads it was impossible for too many to be present. No new business was brought up. The Happy Hour W.A. had asked them to take some baking to the bake sale on March 13th.

ST. ALBAN'S, CHAILEY

Rev. R. Alcock

Evensong was held on February 21st, and on March 7th with a good attendance. The next service was held on March 21st in the a.m., with a celebration of Holy Communion.

The annual congregation meeting was held on March 15th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McDonald. The attendance was not very large. Mr. Alcock opened the meeting with prayer. After the secretary read the minutes of the last meeting, our financial standing and the financial outlook for 1954 was read. A general discussion ensued. With our church families decreasing and our financial obligations increasing every year, it makes it hard to keep accepting the increases. The envelope system, started two years ago, is going to be re-emphasized, with the hopes of boosting our depleted funds.

A memorial fund has been started. The congregation gave comment to the W.A. financing. An addition to the altar and communion rails to be started. This work is being done by Mr. Alcock. The attendance was not large enough to elect new officers, resulting in last year's officers being re-elected. Rev. Alcock closed the meeting with prayer. Then farm talk ensued over a cup of coffee.

W.A.—The March meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. Cotter, on the 4th of March. Mr. Alcock handed a drawn plan around for the proposed alterations for the front of the church. Everyone thought it would be an improvement. Mrs. Young and Mrs. Ken Blackburn were hostesses to a card party held the following Saturday, March 6th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Blackburn, which brought in over \$17.00. Discussion on a sale of home cooking was put off until after Lent. A quilt is going to be made by two or three of our members for our Dorcas project. So far we only have one delegate to go to the Annual Meeting, but it is hoped we will persuade another to go by next meeting.

HOLY TRINITY, GOLDEN VALLEY

Rev. D. J. Woeller

Evensong services were held the first and third Sundays during February with a good attendance. We were pleased to have Mrs. Hordwick, formerly of the Golden Valley district, attend the Feb. services while visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Watts.

Mr. and Mrs. Pickford and family have returned from their visit to England.

The rector announced that the Bishop will be down to take the Confirmation services to be held April 11th at Golden Valley.

Mrs. Glover is visiting with her daughter in B.C. Mrs. Watts has taken over as organist during her absence.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST GRAND CENTRE

Since Christmas regular services have been taken each Sunday at 2 p.m., with unfortunately very poor attendance. We were grateful to Archbishop Barfoot for Confirming three of our candidates in the Cathedral Chapel before he left the Diocese. It is hoped that attendance at

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Sunday services will improve during the season of Lent.

Mr. Ayres and Charles Layton represented the Parish at the Annual Laymen's Dinner in Edmonton on March 2nd. During that week Mr. Ayres was able to meet our new Bishop and re-new his license. The Bishop expects to visit this Parish on April 29th and 30th, and it is hoped that all candidates will be ready for Confirmation, and all Anglicans will attend the services and the reception, enabling them to meet their new Bishop.

At the time of writing we are very sorry to have to report that our old friend Fr. E. R. Lockyer of the Bracebridge community, who has visited us so often over the past fifteen years, has been taken seriously ill; we ask the prayers of all our congregation for him at this time.

It is expected that we shall be able to move the rectory building onto Diocesan property before Easter, so this is our job for the coming month.

The May meeting of the Ladies' Guild of St. Margaret will be held on April 29th at 2 p.m., at the home of Mrs. L. A. Ward. It is hoped that there will be a full meeting to meet the Bishop. The April meeting of the Ladies' Guild is set for April 1st at the home of Mrs. N. Frederickson, Bonnyville. On February 12th the Ladies' Guild raised \$72.00 which was sent into the Polio Fund.

Confirmation: Eric Franson, Hazel Irene Franson, Barbara Aileen Franson.

Burial: Thomas Edward Heimbecker.

Rural Deanery of Wainwright

HOLY TRINITY, TOFILED

Rev. V. P. Cole

The Evening Branch of the W.A. held their annual meeting on Monday, February 1st, at the vicarage. The reports of all department secretaries showed a very successful year. The officers for 1954 are: President, Mrs. J. Eaglesham; Vice-President, Mrs. R. Callard; Sec.-Treasurer, Mrs. W. H. Freebury; Prayer Partner, Mrs. I. Phillips; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Freebury; Social Service Secretary, Mrs. V. P. Cole; Living Message Secretary, Mrs. E. P. Brown; Thank Offering Secretary, Mrs. N. Glover.

The Afternoon Branch of the W.A. held their annual meeting on Thursday, February 4th, in the Sunday School Room. The reports of all committees indicated a very active and successful year. The officers elected for 1954 are: President, Mrs. W. L. Gill; Vice-President, Mrs. V. P. Cole; Sec.-Treasurer, Miss L. Baptist; Prayer Partner, Mrs. C. Baptist; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. M. M. Roberts; Mrs. J. W. Robinson was re-elected Living Message Secretary. Thank Offering Secretary and Little Helpers' Secretary.

On Sunday, February 14th, after Evensong, the annual congregational meeting was held in the Sunday School Room. The Wardens and Vestry reported that all commitments had been met in 1953, and that the little vicarage had been renovated and electric lights installed. A vote of thanks was given to the Sunday School for the re-decorating of the Sunday School Room. The congregation passed a motion at this meeting authorizing the Vestry to purchase out of the Memorial Fund four windows for the Sanctuary, in memory of Mr. W. Bellamy, Mr. and Mrs. J. Secord and Mr. C. Baptist. It was also decided to purchase a tri-purpose projector for use in the Sunday School from the Memorial Fund.

The Officers elected for 1954 were: Vicar's Warden, W. C. Lancaster; People's Warden, T. Porter; Vestry, Messrs. J. W. Robinson, B. Kellicut, R. Callard, J. Thomson, N. Wilkinson, and Miss L.

Baptist. Lay Delegates to Synod, J. W. Robinson and R. Callard.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to Canon T. W. Teape for conducting the Membership and Financial Canvass which so far seems to have been very successful.

The Deanery Chapter held a pre-Lenten Retreat at Tofield on Tuesday and Wednesday, February 22nd and 23rd. The Reverend H. Buchner of St. Faith's Mission, Edson, was the Retreat leader. **Holy Baptism:** Donna Margaret Lindsay, Harvey Dennis LaRocque, Phyllis Isabel Rose, Linda Marguerite Rose, Robert Miles Rose.

Burials: William Orme Glover.

RODINO

Rev. V. P. Cole

Due to severe cold weather our January W.A. meeting was postponed until Feb. 9th, when we all met at the home of Mrs. T. Daniel.

Weather and road conditions made it impossible to have church services regularly during January and February. Our last service was held on February 28th in the vacant house opposite Rodino school. We also had our annual church meeting the same day. The Vestry remains the same as last year, with Mrs. A. Winfield added. Mrs. A. Winfield will be the secretary-treasurer for the Vestry.

We wish to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hollas on the birth of a son January 11th (Larkton Glenn).

We are pleased to report that Mrs. Johnston is out of the hospital and living in their new home.

The W.A. members are very busy these days sewing and making preparations for a spring bazaar. Our next W.A. meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. A. Winfield on March 16th.

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We held a Whist Drive in the vacant house on March 5th, which turned out to be a fair success. We will have another one Friday the 12th in the same place.

ST. PATRICK'S, HEATH

W.A.—The Heath W.A. held the February meeting at the home of Mrs. J. Bartlett, with a very good attendance, only one member was absent.

The Deanery project of knitted mitts and ankle socks was accepted and is already under way, the Dorcas work is going along splendidly. Mrs. Patterson handed in two aprons, and our quilt is nearing completion.

We are pleased to see that Mrs. Ruth Bartlett is home again after being in hospital. She was unable to have W.A. meeting as arranged, but will be pleased to have the March meeting, which will be the last Thursday of the month.

We would like to thank the Rev. D. A. Ford of Vermilion for coming down and holding services at Heath and Edgerton on February 21st. We enjoyed his visit very much, and he won the hearts of everyone who met him, and the inspiration we derived from his wonderful sermon will remain with us for a long time to come.

We held our World Day of Prayer Service at St. Patrick's Church, Heath. The W.A. members who took part were Mrs. J. Bartlett, Mrs. F. M. Ford, Mrs. F. S. Ford, Mrs. A. J. Patterson, Mrs. R. Missier, and Miss Hough. Mrs. M. Herbert played the organ for the hymns. The service was led by the president, Mrs. T. N. Withnell, assisted by Mrs. A. J. Patterson.

A very enjoyable birthday party was held at the home of Miss Hough on Monday, March 1st, when the guest of honour

reached the ripe old age of 80. She was presented with a lovely potted plant. She was very pleased and surprised.

Two of our wardens, Mr. T. N. Withnell of Edgerton, and Mr. A. J. Patterson, Heath, motored to Edmonton to attend the Laymen's Dinner, which was held at the Macdonald Hotel on Shrove Tuesday. They report a very enjoyable time, and were much impressed by our new Bishop.

ST. MARY'S, IRMA

The parish annual meeting was held late this year on account of the cold weather in January. The meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Targett, with most of the parishioners attending. The parish found that the finances were in good shape, and that church's worship had been carried on regularly throughout the past year. We believe that the continuing loyalty and faith of this small band of Christians is to the glory of God. In 1954, the Rector's Warden will be Mr. Targett and the People's Warden, Mr. F. T. Thurston. Mr. Thurston is Lay Delegate, with Mr. Targett as alternate. Mr. Ted Thurston will be Vestry Clerk again this year.

In the afternoon of the day for the annual meeting the ladies of the parish held the annual meeting of the W.A. This small group has done much in the past year; and has been well rewarded, in fellowship, and in the treasury. Especially noted was the support given to the A.W.T.C. in Toronto, Elizabeth House in Edmonton, and the St. Thomas' Rectory Fund. The following ladies were elected to the Executive for the coming year: Mrs. Ron Thurston, President; Mrs. Targett, Vice-Pres.; Mrs. F. T. Thurston, Secretary-Treasurer; Mrs. R. McFarland, Jr., Little Helpers; Mrs. G. Coulterman, U.T.O. and E.C.D.

Rural Deanery of Wetaskiwin

HARDISTY

Rev. F. G. Dowding

The birds which had been singing in the church tower have now left the tower. For one Friday afternoon two of the men of the parish were seen clearing the nest out and putting wire over the opening. All were sorry to do this but we found it necessary for the church fabric.

The church has been long without the services of a organist and the hymns had to be started off by the Rector or the

congregation. This will be changed, starting March 14th, when once more we have an Anglican woman at the organ.

The Rector attended the Laymen's Banquet held in Edmonton on Shrove Tuesday. This was the Rector's first opportunity to hear our Bishop, and by his report he was much impressed. We are looking forward to the Sunday when he will be with us.

HUGHENDEN

Rev. F. G. Dowding

On February 16th the rector had a candlelight marriage in the church. The service took place at 5.30 p.m., and as the church is not wired, candles were used to give light. United in marriage were Barbara Kennedy (daughter of our treasurer) and Robert Butchart. The congregation hopes this will be the beginning of a happy life together and are sorry that they will be living so far away. Mr. Butchart is a radio announcer at Grande Prairie.

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The parish visitation which has been going on during the past month—as weather permitted—is just about completed and when the report of the visitation was given to the congregation at the February meeting the Rector said that he was now able to start a Sunday School on Friday afternoons at 4 p.m. To date the parents have given a fair amount of support and each week sees more children attending.

At the last W.A. meeting it was agreed that the church would be painted when the weather was suitable. Now we are investigating the cost of shingling the roof which, if not too expensive, will be done also. The March meeting was held at the home of Mrs. H. Kennedy with a good turn out. Many good ideas for raising money to help boost the funds were put forth and are being discussed to see if they can be put into effect and when.

MISSION TO BRETON

The Rev. Douglas A. Ford, B.A., B.D., of St. Saviour's parish, Vermilion, came to Breton during the first full week in Lent to preach a mission. It was the climax to much advertisement and preparation in which many encouraging signs were to be seen. The ladies of the parish re-organized themselves after many years without a W.A. and the first activities of the ladies were to pray for the Mission; elect a new slate of officers, and serve lunch each night the mission was held. President is Mrs. Hugh Impey; Vice-President, Mrs. W. Bevan; Sec.-Treasurer, Mrs. Bem Fletcher, and in charge of sick-visiting, Miss Edith Shave. The ladies also plan an Easter Tea. Meetings to date have been held in the homes of Mrs. R. Gilchrist and Miss Shave. They are to be held on the first Friday of every month at three p.m. The April meeting is to be at the home of Mrs. W. Bevan.

Because we have no church, the services were held each evening at eight in the curling club room. Organists were Mrs. Williams who travelled several miles to be present, and Mrs. Teige. Every evening but Wednesday Mr. Frank Willows of Pendry drove a school bus load of people from Winfield. The attendance was very encouraging indeed; and even Wednesday when there was a very severe blizzard, thirty people braved the elements. Fr. Ford's main talks were on the following subjects: God, Jesus Christ, Sin, Forgiveness and Grace. Hymns played a large place in the services and a film was shown each evening during the children's period. There was also a short period for instruction on such subjects as the Bible, Holy Baptism, Holy Confirmation, etc. The growing numbers of people each night indicated the general interest in the community. And everyone enjoyed the wonderful lunch and fellowship afterwards.

The Sunday services were at 8.30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Services are normally held in Breton on the second and third Sundays at 3 p.m.

During the next few weeks plans are being made for boys' and girls' groups and perhaps a small Scout hall may even be built. The numbers of people offering their services as leaders is very gratifying.

Sunday night in Winfield the missioner sang the Litany and preached. A lunch was served in the Mission house afterwards. We all enjoyed the missioner and benefitted from his addresses. He was wished God-speed on his journey home and asked to come soon again.

ST. ANDREW'S, CAMROSE

Rev. E. M. Evans

At the monthly meeting of the Altar Guild, work was continued on the Pall. The President reported that the Festal Dossal would need some repair work after accidental damage. Enough ladies volunteered for extra work to put this right for Easter.

The Afternoon W.A., continuing their regular meeting, held a discussion in preparation of the Bake Sale at some future date.

The Evening Branch report having sent two delegates to the Ladies' Work Meeting of the Red Cross, and have appointed two members to help with the canvass. A Talent money project is underway, and interest is keen. Their Educational Secretary reports that a film strip has been shown on "Education in Central Africa," and that a sound movie is a thing of the future. Miss Shirley Grylls, Prayer Partner, will receive a surprise parcel. Just here we would like to say that the Evening Group of the W.A. made a lovely present to the church of well-laid linoleum on the floor of the kitchen, the wash-rooms, and the entrance to the parish hall. The Church is very grateful, for this is something which has long been needed, and should spur us on to a complete renovation of the kitchen.

At the monthly meeting of the Mothers' Union, one of our local physicians, Dr. R. D. Reikie, spoke on what to do with the sick child in the home; what to watch for as danger signals, and what one might do on their own accord before calling the doctor. From the questions that followed, it was obvious that the talk satisfied a long-felt need.

It was decided that a set of figures should be purchased for the Christmas Creche.

Chi Rho report that their Pancake Supper on Shrove Tuesday was a "sizzling" success, the sausages doing most of the sizzling. "Thank you!" to both branches of the W.A. for donations and help. Later on, quite a few interested people enjoyed playing whist and cribbage. Their work nights spell accomplishment; they have built a play-pen for the kindergarten, a chair rack to help stack the chairs in storage-room, two easels for the Sunday School, and adjusted some of the church kneelers—this has been the men's work. The girls painted more wooden blocks, and "spruced" up the kitchen. "Who sweeps a room as for His sake makes that and the action fine."

Meetings have been held for the Sunday School teachers, and plans made for Lenten giving, and increasing use of Visual Aids. A second flannelgraph has been purchased, and slides and film strips will be used for Junior and Senior departments.

With the approach of Lent, social activity has dropped to a minimum within the parish. Confirmation classes and Wednesday Lenten services manage to keep most of the adults busy during the week.

ST. DUNSTAN'S, BITTERN LAKE

The Lenten services held on Thursday evening each week are quite well attended and the Confirmation Class which follows the service is used by some members of the congregation as a study or refresher period.

On February 26th, under the auspices of the W.A., Mr. Albert Strohschein of the Wetaskiwin district, showed pictures of missionary work in the Fiji Islands. Afterwards, lunch was served by the W.A.

The supper which had been planned for the latter part of February has been postponed until after Easter, probably for Easter Week.

The World Day of Prayer was observed by a service in St. Dunstan's, Mrs. J. G. Baker acting as leader. This was followed by a short meeting of the W.A. at Mrs. A. J. Martin's. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Elmer McNary, March 18th.

At a meeting of the Vestry, March 15th, plans were made for various repairs and improvements in the church. The rector and five other members were present.

ST. PAUL'S, LEDUC

Archdeacon C. F. A. Clough

Services have been held each Sunday, and a special service was held on Ash Wednesday evening. Confirmation classes were started recently.

The W.A. met at the home of Mrs. R. Light, with nine members present. New blinds and kneeler pads are being supplied to the church and it is hoped that windows will be repaired before Easter. The study period was taken by Mrs. Clough who gave

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an interesting talk about our Eskimo and Indian friends.

The World Day of Prayer was held in St. David's United Church, with several of our communion taking part.

The Sunday School attendance has dropped considerably.

SEGEWICK

Rev. E. Fowler

The first meeting of the Girls' Auxiliary was held in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, February 24th, at 8 p.m., with a varied and interesting program which all enjoyed. Margaret Rose Tanton was chosen as Leader, with Dorothy Hooper as assistant leader, and Carol Bottineau as Sec-Treasurer. Refreshments, kindly supplied and served by Mrs. W. W. Rose, concluded an enjoyable evening. The second meeting, with an improved attendance, was held on March 10th, at which Mrs. E. Johnson, the Secretary of the W.A., was present to supply the musical side of a very interesting program. At the business meeting it was decided to raise funds by asking the W.A. to allow them to have a Candy Stall at the Easter Tea and Sale of Home Cooking, on April 17th. Refreshments and a discussion brought the meeting to a close.

The World Day of Prayer was fully observed on March 5th, the meeting being held in the United Church, with a good number present.

W.A.—The monthly meeting on March 9th was at the home of Mrs. Pereira. Mrs. D. Galletly led the devotions and Miss Patten read a portion from the Study Book. The Easter Tea and Sale of Home-Cooking was discussed; Mrs. Pereira being

elected convener. It was decided to add the proceeds from the last Whist and Bridge Drive to the Organ Fund. Mrs. D. Galletly was chosen as convener for the catering at the meeting of the C.C.I.L. in the parish hall on March 18. After closing the meeting with prayer, refreshments were served.

Holy Baptism: Gary Norman Culbert.

KILLAM

The Confirmation Class, attending regularly, are making excellent progress, and the Choir, meeting in the home of Mr. Halsall for practice, have commenced on the Good Friday and Easter music.

There was an excellent attendance of scholars and parents at the Matins and Children's Service on Monday, Feb. 28th. Both young and old joined enthusiastically in the singing and in the rest of the service. The Lessons were read with clearness and intelligence by Ellen and Arlene Jacob.

The World Day of Prayer, held in the Pentecostal Tabernacle, providing as it did the corporate worship of several communions, was indeed an uplifting experience.

W.A.—The March meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Russell Smith, with fourteen members present. The President, Mrs. G. Brodie, on behalf of the members, presented Mrs. Lorne Mallett who is leaving the district, with a parting gift; Mrs. Mallett returning suitable thanks. Prayer, with afternoon tea following, concluded the meeting.

The parish was greatly shocked by the sudden death in the University Hospital, Edmonton, of Alan Robson, a young

farmer member of our Church. His genial presence will be greatly missed amongst us. To his widowed mother and to the rest of his relatives our heartfelt sympathy is extended in their great sorrow.

Burial: Alan White Robson, 38 years, February 26th.

LOUGHEED

W.A.—The Annual Meeting, usually held in January but postponed owing to the severity of the weather, was held on February 18th, at the home of Mrs. E. Butcher, with Mrs. Flora Barthel presiding. After dealing with the routine business, arrangements were made for the World Day of Prayer in the Anglican Church on March 5th; Mrs. Butcher consenting to act as leader. A beautiful Prayer Book, suitably inscribed, was to be sent to Mrs. Maisie Thomas, now living at Mirror, Alberta, as a small token of their appreciation of her work in All Saints' Church, for the Sunday School and for the W.A. while amongst them.

The election of officers resulted in Mrs. Verona Cookson being re-elected as President; Mrs. F. Barthel, Vice-President; Mrs. Percy Barton, 2nd Vice-President, while Mrs. Butcher consented to act again in the triple role of Secretary, Treasurer and Dorcas Secretary. Mrs. Kirkman was to be in charge of the Little Helpers, and Mrs. D. Thomas, Sr., to act as Sick Visitor.

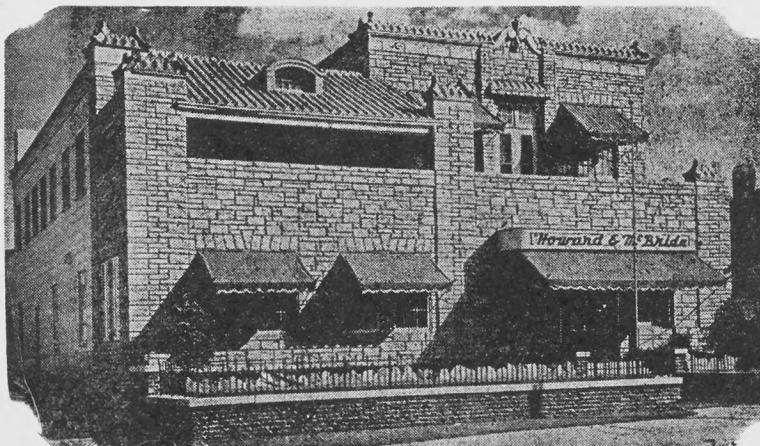
The Rector complimented the members on a most successful year and thanked them for their hard work, faithfulness and devotion to the cause of their Church. The meeting closed with prayer, after which tea was served.





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